

Happy Valentine's Day

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Basketball

HASKELL
The Indians played Albany Tues., Feb. 11 to determine the 2nd and 3rd place teams in district. The Bi-District playoff game will be held in Graham Tues., Feb. 18 against Windthorst or Archer City, depending on the outcome of the Tues., Feb. 11 game.

Softball

Maidens
Maidens OPEN Tues., Feb. 18

Calendar

Study Club

The Progressive Study Club will meet Thurs., Feb. 13 at 7 p.m. in the conference room of the Haskell County Library for a program on "The Miracle of Unconditional Love"-Paying it forward by Caring for All Creatures, Great and Small. Haskell County Veterinarian, Lana Bush, DVM, will present the program. Members are asked to bring small pet items to donate to Rescue the Animals. Members are asked to wear red for Heart Health Month. Donations will be accepted for Heifer International and volunteers for Meals On Wheels will be needed.

Noah Project

The Noah Project-North Advisory Committee will meet Fri., Feb. 14 at Pit 'N Grill. Please attend if at all possible to discuss the annual fund-raiser to be held Sat., April 26 at the Haskell Civic Center.

Spaghetti lunch

St. George Catholic Church in Haskell will host a spaghetti luncheon Fri., Feb. 14 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the church. Spaghetti and dessert will be served. Tickets are \$7 a plate. Dine in or take outs are available. Place orders by calling 940-203-2376 or 940-864-3171.

Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., Feb. 15 from 10 a.m. til 11:30 a.m. at 206 S. 2nd (building east of Civic Center) in Haskell.

Food distribution

The Haskell County Ministerial Alliance Food Distribution Center will distribute food Sat., Feb. 15 from 9:30 a.m. til 11 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Rule.

Chicken spaghetti

A chicken spaghetti fund-raiser lunch to benefit Jerry, Vickie and Macey Coker will be held Sun., Feb. 16 from noon to 1:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church Family Activity Center in Haskell. Donations accepted.

Democratic Convention

The Haskell County Democratic Convention will be held March 22 at 2 p.m. in the Haskell County Courthouse, District Court Room on the second floor. Attendees at the County Convention must have voted in the March 4 Democratic Primary. Precinct meetings will now be held just prior to county conventions. If you have precinct business those meetings will be held as above but at 1:30. For questions, contact Pam Norton at 940-207-0248.

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TO COMPETE IN FINALS-Parris Pittman of Haskell competed Saturday night, Feb. 8, in the Outlaws and Legends Singer/Songwriter Showcase at The Station in Abilene. This is a showcase to win a spot on the stage at Outlaws and Legends, 15 hours of studio recording time, free tickets, VIP passes, and much more. Pittman made it through to the finals singing two of her own original songs. The finals will be held Friday night, Feb. 14, starting at 7 p.m. at The Station in Abilene. Pittman is the assistant librarian for Haskell County and has been pursuing her music for quite some time now. This is a big honor to make it to the finals.

Celebrate Texas event set March 1 in Haskell

by Caron Yates
There are many things that can be said about Texas. It is certainly big, with an expanse of varying landforms, climate and culture. However, the

one thing that seems to ring true for every part of Texas, is the pride Texans have in their state.

Haskell County, like the rest of the state, is very proud

of its state and its heritage. A very important part of Texas' colorful history is Mar. 2, 1836, better known as Texas Independence Day.

The Committee to Help Haskell County has planned this year's Celebrate Texas Independence Day, Haskell County Style for Sat., Mar. 1.

Activities for the day begin at 10 a.m. with a flag raising ceremony conducted by the American Legion. Kristi Gibson will sing "The Star Spangled Banner" and "Texas Our Texas."

Events throughout the day will include re-enactors from Ft. Griffin Cannon Infantry, Tipi Talkers Story Telling, Coppers Break Park Ranger David Turner with Native American games for kids, Native American Flint Knapper with Teepee and

Buffalo Soldiers.

Also around the square will be Little Drummer Boy Ice Cream, Ray Clark and his guitar, antique tractors, cowboy & cowgirl cutouts for picture taking, roping dummy for kids, Darlene Walton-Texas' answer to Paula Dean, and Dig N for Gold sponsored by Haskell National Bank.

They are hoping for many participating vendors with arts and crafts, as well as food vendors. For more information on being a vendor, contact Jennabeth Kimbrough.

Area businesses will again sponsor drawings for Haskell Dollars throughout the day. The Haskell Volunteer Fire Department will be cooking their famous hamburgers and fries.

In conjunction with

Rule youth basketball league started

Parents and volunteers of Rule have formed a Rule Youth Basketball League for children second through sixth grades.

Twenty-eight youth signed up at the organizational meeting held Mon., Feb. 3. Rule will have three teams who will be identified by colored T-shirts. Other teams in the Youth Basketball League are Lueders-Avoca and Benjamin.

Games have been scheduled at Lueders-Avoca Sat., Feb. 15, a tournament at Rule Sat., Feb. 22, and a game at Benjamin Sat., March 1. A small fee will be charged for admission. A time for Saturday's game has not been set at this time. Weather will play a factor.

Persons may call the schools where the games will be played, to find out the time.

A concession stand will be available at the Rule Tournament.

Deadline to file for city/school elections is Friday, Feb. 28

by Caron Yates
If serving in public office is on your bucket list, then here is your opportunity.

The date for city elections, as well as school board elections has been set for May 10, 2014.

Filing for a place on the ballot continues through Fri., Feb. 28 at 5 p.m.

In the city of Haskell, voters will elect a mayor and two aldermen. Council seats held by Jill Druessedow and Dan Hoover, along with the mayor's position will be up for election.

On the Haskell CISD school board, place #2 and #3, currently held by Debbie Earles and Joey Thomas, will be on the ballot. Both are three year terms.

The city of Rule will vote on a mayor and two councilmen, now being served by Jerry Cannon, Patrick Pace and Bobby Robinson.

The Rule ISD school board has two positions up for election. Incumbents are Sam Grindstaff and Shane LeFevre.

In the Weinert city government, places held by Mayor Donald Griffis, and

councilmen Angie Kirkland and Bill Walker will be on the ballot.

Rochester has two council seats to be voted. The positions held by Darryl McGhee and John Hicks, will be on the ballot.

If you have not registered to vote, you may want to do so as soon as possible.



VISIT MEDIEVAL TIMES-Thirty Paint Creek ISD students were rewarded for their perfect attendance during the first semester with a field trip to Medieval Times in Dallas. Students making the trip included, Kindergarten, Zakarey Jones; first grade, Zeke Cisneros and Evan Cisneros; second grade, Roland Cisneros; fourth grade, Joshua Blake and Victoria Blake; fifth grade, Jasmine Boyd, Zakary Elkins and Brianna Yanez; sixth grade,

Tanner Booe and Jacklyn Snelling; seventh grade, Zoe Webb, Antonio Yanez and Brittany Yanez; eighth grade, Felicity Hannsz and Ariel Wolf; ninth grade, Devon Benitez, Zhenia McTasney and Corey Mengwasser; tenth grade, Ashley Crossley, Dalton Einhaus, Jarrett Lopez, Ben Steele and Dylan Webb; eleventh grade, Bryant Booe, Brandon Luevano and Caitlyn Mengwasser; twelfth grade, Justin Bailey, Hunter Hollingsworth and Baleigh Lopez.

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Private pesticide applicator training in Amarillo Feb. 20

by Jason Westbrook
CEA-Ag, Haskell Co.
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Potter County is offering private pesticide applicator license training on Feb. 20 at the Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center, 6500 W. Amarillo Blvd., Amarillo.

The training session begins at 9 a.m., according to Nathan Carr, AgriLife Extension agent for Potter County. The three and a half hour training will give participants the needed information to take the private applicator license test,

which will be administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture. All materials will be provided with the registration fee for the training.

Anyone in the Texas Panhandle may and is encouraged to participate if they need a private pesticide applicator license, Carr

said. The private pesticide applicator license is for agricultural producers and land owners who apply restricted use pesticides to their own property.

Those planning to attend are asked to call Carr at 806-373-0713 by Feb. 18 to check on registration fee and to reserve a seat.

Haskell School Menu

Feb. 17-21
Breakfast

Milk variety and 100% fruit juice is available at every meal.

Monday: French toast sticks

or cereal variety and Texas toast

Tuesday: Scrambled eggs, biscuit, gravy or cereal variety and Texas toast

Wednesday: Breakfast club or cereal variety and Texas toast

Thursday: Chicken-n-waffles or cereal variety and Texas toast

Friday: Breakfast burrito or cereal variety and Texas toast

Lunch

Milk variety is available at every meal.

Monday: BBQ rib sandwich, corn chips, refried beans, garden salad, salsa, hot cinnamon apples

Tuesday: Hot dogs, potato rounds, fresh veggie cup, fresh seasonal fruit

Wednesday: Chicken nuggets, mac and cheese, garden salad, savory green beans, apple slices, Rice Crispy treat

Thursday: Grilled cheese sandwich, vegetable soup, baby carrots, fruit cup

Friday: Cheeseburger, hamburger garnish, seasoned corn, baby carrots, sliced peaches

Rule School Menu

Feb. 17-21
Breakfast

Fresh fruit, juice or milk are offered daily.

Monday: No school
Tuesday: Chicken and biscuit

Wednesday: Pancake on stick

Thursday: Sunrise sandwich
Friday: Cereal, Texas toast

Lunch

Milk is served daily.

Monday: No school
Tuesday: Beef queso, tortilla chips, refried beans, salad, orange smiles

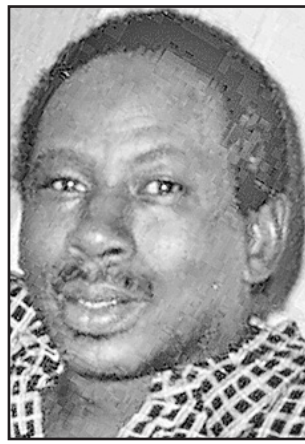
Wednesday: Chicken sandwich, oven fries, veggie cup, fruity gelatin

Thursday: Meaty macaroni, salad, baby carrots, fresh grapes, breadsticks, chocolate chip cookie

Friday: Pizza choice, crunchy broccoli, salad, seasoned corn, fruit

Obituaries

Johnny Lee 'Moe' Johnson



JOHNNY 'MOE' JOHNSON

Funeral services for Johnny Lee 'Moe' Johnson, 63, of Haskell were held Tues., Feb. 11 at Greater Independent Baptist Church in Haskell with Rev. Ernest

Flanders officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Smith Family Funeral Homes.

Mr. Johnson passed away Fri., Feb. 7 at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene.

One of five boys, he was born in Haskell Sept. 7, 1950 the son of Alice Lee (Lewis) and L.C. Johnson, Sr. He married Ellen in Haskell 36 years ago and they remained in Haskell where Moe worked at Haskell Memorial Hospital as the floor tech.

Moe enjoyed spending time with family and friends; watching Sports Center; and liked to gamble. He was a member of the Greater Independent Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Survivors include his wife, Ellen of Haskell; three daughters, Krystle Edmond of Haskell, Jennifer Frazier of Fort Worth, Katrina Chance of Savannah, Georgia; four grandchildren, Jordan Frazier, Jady Frazier, David Demerson, II, and Morgan Chance; four brothers, Otis Johnson of Arlington, Robert Johnson, Sr. and L.C. Johnson Jr., both of Haskell, and Ollie Johnson of Arlington; and many loving nieces, nephews and cousins.

Online condolences can be shared with the family at www.smithfamilyfh.com.

PD. NOTICE

Quitline available

Many tobacco users make a New Year's resolution to give up their habit, and the state's Quitline is ready to take calls from people looking for help.

The Texas Department of State Health Services encourages people who are ready to quit, or are thinking about quitting, to seek assistance and advice by calling the Texas Quitline at 1-877-YES QUIT or visiting www.yesquit.org. Quitline services are available in English and Spanish.

Callers to the Quitline, which uses the American Cancer Society's Quit for Life Program, receive free, confidential counseling services and personalized tools and strategies from trained professionals to help them quit.

The www.yesquit.org website has tips, success stories, motivational videos and an online community of people dedicated to quitting and encouraging others to stick to it. People can create

an online quitting plan that helps them take steps toward a tobacco-free life.

The Texas Quitline was first offered in 2001 and serves about 10,000 people a year. The U.S. Public Health Service's clinical practice guidelines say that Quitline counseling can more than double a smoker's chances of quitting.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, tobacco use is the leading cause of preventable and premature death in the United States.

Additional Facts:

- More than 24,000 Texans die from smoking or exposure to secondhand smoke each year.

- In the United States, nearly 1 in 5 deaths is attributed to tobacco use.

- Lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death in the United States for men and women, and 90 percent of lung cancer cases are attributed to smoking.

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Calendar

Nominees sought

Citizens are asked to nominate candidates to be named The Business of the Year and Volunteer of the Year for 2013. To make a nomination, call the Chamber office at 940-864-2477 or mail to P.O. Box 316, Haskell, Texas 79521. The winners will be revealed during the banquet Mon., March 31 at 6:30 p.m. at the Civic Center.

Cantata practice

Easter Cantata practice will be held on Sundays at 4 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Haskell.

Community Dinner

Citizens of Rule are invited to attend the Rule Community Dinner Tues., Feb. 25, at 6:30 p.m. in the Rule ISD cafeteria with a program to be held in the

Paint Creek School Menu

Feb. 17-21
Breakfast

Milk and juice are served daily.

Monday: Waffles, sausage, biscuits, gravy

Wednesday: French toast

Thursday: Banana bread, oatmeal

Friday: Breakfast bake

Lunch

Milk is served daily.

Monday: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, roll, pineapples

Tuesday: Hamburgers, salad, fries, fruit

Wednesday: Tacos, corn, salad, snowball salad

Thursday: Pizza, corn, salad, apples

Friday: BBQ on bun, baked beans, fries, oranges

auditorium following the meal. Members of Rule Volunteer Fire Department will be recognized.

Aggie Moms

The Abilene Area Aggie Moms' Club will meet Tues., Feb. 18 at 6:45 p.m. at the Coldwell Banker Panian & Mash building, 2500 S. Willis, Abilene. A light meal will be served. For more information, contact Venita Teal at 325-669-0886 or Kathy Hocke at 325-721-3131.

Men's breakfast

A men's free breakfast will be held Sun., Feb. 23 at 8 a.m. at the Haskell High School cafeteria. All men in the community are invited to this special time of fellowship.

Cancer support

The Haskell Area Cancer Support group will meet Tues., Feb. 25 at 5:30 p.m. at the meeting room of Majestic Senior Living Haskell. For more information, call 325-864-4466.

Fish fry

A benefit fish fry will be held Sun., Feb. 23 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Haskell Civic Center. Plates are \$8 each. The meal will be fish, hush puppies, french fries, coleslaw, drink and dessert. The praise and worship service will start at 10:30 a.m. held by Trinity Lutheran Church. Proceeds benefit the youth attending church camp.

Society to meet

The Haskell County Historical and Genealogical Society will begin having quarterly meetings in 2014. The meetings will be on the first Monday of March, June, September and December at 6:00 p.m. in the Haskell County Library.

AWANA to meet

The AWANA Club (Approved Workmen Are

Not Ashamed) will meet at the Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church, 1600 N. 1st St., Haskell on Mondays, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Children must be age 5 by Sept. 1 through sixth grade. For more information call 940-864-5557.

Deadlines

All deadlines for issues of the Haskell Free Press are at noon on Mondays.

Al-Anon

Al-Anon meets Thursday evenings at 8 p.m. at the AA building across from the RV park in Haskell.

Vet office open

The Veterans Service office in Haskell is now open. The office, located on the first floor of the west wing of the courthouse, will be open on the first and third Thursdays of each month from 10 a.m. to noon. For information, call 940-256-1125 any time or email Haskellvaso@yahoo.com.

Water conservation

The City of Haskell has implemented stage three of the Drought Contingency Plan of the City of Haskell Water Conservation Plan. Stage three calls for a mandatory 25% reduction in water use by all City of Haskell water customers. Please make every effort to conserve and help secure our water supply as long as possible. For more information or a copy of the water conservation plan, contact Haskell City Hall.

Water conservation

The City of Rule has implemented Stage Four of its Drought Contingency Plan Emergency Water Shortage/Water Allocations. Please contact Rule City Hall or call 940-996-2214 for more information.

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American Cancer Society funds help in many ways

Although the Relay for Life is still a couple of months away, it is never too early to start making plans to participate in this Spring event. Unfortunately the truth is that cancer does not take a break, and in fact seems intent on attacking regardless of the season.

The American Cancer Society wants you to know their mission is to save lives and create more birthdays by helping you stay well, helping you get well, by finding cures and by fighting back. There are an estimated 13.7 million cancer survivors living in the U.S. today. Ground-breaking research by the Society has led to cancer cures, better treatments and declining cancer death rates.

In April 2013, more than 35 cancer survivors, 8 teams and 173 registered participants took part in the Haskell/Knox Relay for Life. Together they raised \$36,538.

Money raised for the American Cancer Society is used in several different ways. They are the nation's largest private funder of cancer research, have funded 48 scientists who have gone on to win the Nobel Prize and made grants possible to 56 researchers at Texas Medical Institutions, totaling more than \$36 million.

It is important to note also that money raised has been used to help local cancer patients and their families. The Society has provided 44 services to patients in

Haskell/Knox Counties over the past year through programs such as Personal Health Managers, ACS Days at local hospitals and cancer centers, personal care items, such as wigs, turbans, scarves and hats, information and resource referrals, Reach to Recovery and Road to Recovery.

The Society offers help 24-hours-a-day by calling 1-800-227-2345 or visiting cancer.org. They are ready to assist through referrals to community resources, Cancer Survivor Network, helping smokers quit, Clinical Trials Matching Service, Lodging Assistance and much more.

For patient services information contact Janet Pulliam at (405) 841-5805.

Women's Fair set Feb. 18

by Jane Rowan
CEA/FCS, Taylor Co.

"If you eat and wear clothes, you are involved in agriculture." This is the slogan for the 16th annual Town and Country Women's Fair scheduled Tues., Feb. 18 in conjunction with the Texas Farm-Ranch-Wildlife Expo.

The Women's Fair will be held in the Display Building on the grounds of the Taylor County Expo Center. The Extension Family and Consumer Sciences Committee has planned a day filled with fun and creative ideas to promote agricultural food and fiber products. Plan to join women from Abilene and the surrounding area for a day of fun and education.

Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. and the event will end around 2:00 p.m. The event is free to the public and the conference facilities are accessible for the physically disabled. You may spend the whole day or pick and choose the sessions you want to attend.

The opening session will feature Mary Perkins with the Big Country Master Gardeners Association discussing "Container Gardening." Information on selection of containers, soil and plants will be included as well as location of pots for best results. Water requirements and proper watering of container plants will be covered.

Lynda Gilreath of Abilene Interior Design, Inc. will present a session on "Design Trends for 2014." The session will include information on color trends and their relationship to many different areas of our life as well as how to incorporate current trends into your own personal style.

"Nutritious and Delicious Eating for Diabetics" will feature Audrey Smith, Dietician with Aramark at Hendrick Health Care. Smith will share information on Diabetic as well as Heart Healthy cooking and nutrition. Ways to be creative in menu planning will be included.

A luncheon will be served during the event and

will feature a Style Show by Dillard's Department Store. Volunteers will model various ensembles introducing fashion trends for spring.

Following the style show, Alice Griggs and Zella Woodruff will give a presentation on "Fabric Creations." Included will be a demonstration on Ruching (rooshing) flowers and roses. Ruching is a French term that means gathering, ruffling or pleating. Ruched flowers have been used on quilts, pillows and garments for at least 200 years. These ladies, who serve on the planning committee for the Women's Fair, will share ideas and examples to help inspire you to create things from fabric.

Attendees will receive a take-home bag full of

information, samples and coupons. Area, state and national businesses are providing approximately 100 door prizes for the event. Educational booths will feature information and items on agricultural products.

Sponsors of this year's event are Lawrence Hall Abilene; Samuel Garcia, State Farm; Texas Wheat Producers; Taylor County Farm Bureau; and the Abilene Chamber of Commerce.

We hope you will join us on Feb. 18 for the Town and Country Women's Fair in the Display Building on the grounds of the Taylor County Expo Center.

For more information, contact the Taylor County Extension Office at 325-672-6048.

TxDot urges "Drive to Conditions" safety tips

Texas is the nation's second-largest state, stretching 790 miles from the Panhandle to the Gulf of Mexico and 773 miles from the Louisiana border to El Paso. Crisscrossing the state's more than 79,000 miles of roadways can take a motorist through not only varying landscapes but also a wide variety of weather conditions, sometimes in a single day, which can present unique challenges and dangers for drivers.

In 2012, the number of Texas motor vehicle traffic fatalities totaled 3,399. That marked a 10.8 percent increase over those in 2011. In 2012, 63,610 serious injury crashes occurred in Texas with 87,087 people sustaining serious injuries.

Motorists should prepare for any type of driving condition they might encounter as they travel around the state. That includes not only heavy traffic and road construction work zones but also the state's ever-changing weather. A motorist traveling from Houston to Dallas in winter might encounter everything from partly cloudy skies to heavy rain, fog or even snow and ice.

TxDOT is reminding motorists to adjust their driving to road conditions. Below are some tips to help drivers adapt to common Texas road conditions. Remember to listen to weather forecasts, and before starting any trip, check Texas highway conditions at <http://www.drivetexas.org>. In addition to these tips, wearing a seatbelt is one of the best steps drivers and passengers can take to protect themselves in any driving condition.

Tips for Driving in Heavy Rain/Flood-Prone Areas

- Be cautious when traveling through flood-prone areas. Flash floods can come rapidly and

unexpectedly—within a few minutes or hours of excessive rainfall. Flash flooding is common in many areas of Texas, especially the Texas Hill Country.

- Turn on your headlights and slow down, allowing extra distance for braking.

- Never attempt to drive through flooded roadways. Water covering roadways may hide washed-out bridges or gouged-out roadbeds, and even in relatively shallow water, tires can act as flotation devices, lifting up big vehicles and sending them downstream. It takes only two feet of water to float a 3,000-pound car.

Tips for Driving in Fog

- Slow down and do not drive faster than your field of vision. Use windshield wipers and defroster as necessary to maximize visibility.

- Increase following distance to ensure enough reaction time and stopping distance. When you use your brakes, don't stop suddenly.

- Turn on your lights, including your hazard lights. Use low beam headlights and fog lights if you have them. Do not use high beams.

- Use the right edge of the road or roadside reflectors as a guide. If you cannot see, pull completely off the road—preferably at a rest area or truck stop—and turn on your hazard flashers immediately.

Tips for Driving in Winter Weather

- Drive slowly, with cruise control turned off and using smooth steering movements. It's harder to control or stop your vehicle on a slick or snow-covered surface.

- Increase your following distance enough so you'll have plenty of time to stop for vehicles ahead of you.

- Accelerate and brake gently. When you brake, begin braking early, checking behind you, when approaching intersections or stops, and use slow, steady strokes to test traction.

- Approach bridges, shaded spots and turns slowly, and use extra caution on bridges, ramps, overpasses and shaded areas, as they tend to freeze first. If you find yourself in a skid, stay calm and ease your foot off the gas while carefully steering in the direction you want the front of your vehicle to go.

Tips for Driving in Heavy Traffic

- Don't tailgate or flash your lights at another driver. Maintain a safe distance from other drivers, so you can stop within the available stopping distance.

- If an accident is to blame for the traffic congestion, do not slow down and survey the scene as you pass by it.

- Keep to the same lane. When vehicles constantly change lanes, the flow of traffic is repeatedly interrupted, preventing the possibility of a consistent pace.

- Stay focused on driving. Don't use the slow momentum as an opportunity to multi-task or check e-mail.

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What is Alzheimer's Disease?

- It is a type of dementia causing impairment of intellectual functioning.
- It is caused by degeneration in nerve endings and brain cells.

SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF THE THREE STAGES OF ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

Stage 1

- Forgetfulness
- Unpredictable moods
- Depression
- Short attention span
- Impaired judgment
- Restlessness

Stage 2


- Extreme irritability
- Loss of concentration
- Inability to care for own personal needs
- Increased restlessness, especially at night
- Difficulty with verbal communication
- Repetitive actions

Stage 3

- Incontinence of stool and urine
- Inability to communicate
- Total inability to care for self
- Twitching and seizures

What questions regarding home care do you have for the nurse? Send your questions to Haskell Home Health Agency, 417 S. First, Haskell, TX 79521 or call 940-864-5074 or 1-877-864-5074.

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OPINION

2014 Farm Bill points

by Jason Westbrook
CEA-Ag, Haskell Co.

(More information will be forthcoming as Texas A&M Extension prepare programs. Current highlights are listed in this Farm Bill One Pager.)

The President was expected to sign the farm bill into law on Fri., Feb. 7.

Even though there is a lot of excitement about the bill being passed, it will take several months for USDA-FSA to interpret the changes in the new bill and be ready to implement it for producers. Producers should be cautioned that what they have read or have been told is in the farm bill is subject to change until the regulations for each of the programs is published.

If past experience is a guide, sign-up would not occur until summer at the earliest but there are significant changes to the commodity programs that provide the safety net to row crop producers that producers will need to become familiar with.

Direct payments that have provided the bulk of the producer safety net have been eliminated. Producers will have to make a choice between a new agriculture risk coverage (ARC) program that protects producers against income losses relative to their recent income experience and price loss coverage (PLC) that provides income protection against deep price declines.

Producers will also have the opportunity to update their base acres allowing them to obtain protection on crops they currently grow rather than what they grew during the 1980s.

These two decisions will have to be made for the 2014 crop and will not be changeable for the life of the farm bill. They are also quite complicated but Extension Economists with Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service are working educational materials and a tool to assist producers with these decisions.

Cotton producers will no longer participate in commodity programs other than the marketing loan program that protects against very low prices. The primary government safety net for cotton producers will be from a new cotton only insurance program referred to as stacked income protection plan (STAX). STAX will not be available until the 2015 crop year at the earliest so the bill provides cotton producers a transition payment that is similar to the direct payment in previous farm bills.

Dairy producers will have the opportunity to purchase a milk over feed costs margin insurance program to protect them from low milk prices, high feed costs or some combination. Again, a decision aid is being developed to educate producers about their insurance choices.

A new area-wide insurance program will be available to all producers to purchase beginning in 2015 that is designed to protect them against losses that would normally fall within their insurance deductible range.

Prior to sign-up with FSA, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension will conduct educational meetings across the state in cooperation with Texas FSA.

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HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

Permanent School Fund reaches new high

AUSTIN—Texas' 160-year-old Permanent School Fund had grown to \$29 billion, a record high value, in December 2013, the Texas Education Agency reported Feb. 6.

The fund was created by the state in 1854 with a \$2 million investment. Last year was a good one. In fiscal year 2013, which ended Aug. 31, the fund earned a return of 10.16 percent—the highest return earned by any major state of Texas investment fund. Recent strong returns also made the Permanent School Fund the best performing major state fund over a three-year period ending on Aug. 31, 2013, with a return of 11.07 percent.

How the fund helps at the local level:

- A distribution from the fund is made every year to help pay a portion of education costs in each school district. During the 2012-2013 biennium, the fund distributed more than \$2 billion to Texas public primary and secondary schools.

- The fund provides a guarantee for bonds issued by local school districts and this important support will soon be extended to charter schools, according to the education agency.

As a result of the fund maintaining the AAA bond rating through the global financial crisis, qualified districts are able to pay lower interest rates when issuing bonds.

At the end of 2013, the fund's assets guaranteed \$55.2 billion in school district bonds, providing a cost savings to 810 public school districts, the education agency stated.

Primary inches closer

Voters take to the polls to participate in the 2014 Primary Election on March 4, with early voting to be conducted Feb. 18 through Feb. 28.

Political action committees of every stripe are publicizing the names of candidates they support in the various races and campaign advertising pouring forth through various media in most markets. A convenient way to find lists of candidates and a 2014 Primary Election Voters Guide is through local offices of the League of Women Voters of Texas offices or at www.lwvtexas.org; also, voter information may be found at sos.state.tx.us, web home of Secretary of State Nandita Berry, the state's chief elections officer.

CVS policy is lauded

Texas Medical Association President Stephen L. Brotherton, M.D., responded to CVS Caremark's decision Feb. 5 to stop selling cigarettes and other tobacco products in its stores by Oct. 1, 2014.

"Texas physicians are

thrilled by CVS Caremark's decision today to stop selling cigarettes and other tobacco products in its stores. We applaud CVS for taking such a bold and courageous step. We agree with CVS that preventing tobacco use will improve the health of Texans.

"Tobacco is directly responsible for the death of 24,000 Texans each year, more than homicide, HIV, suicide, influenza and pneumonia, accidents, and diabetes—combined. As physicians we see the short- and long-term consequences of tobacco for our patients and their families. Make no mistake about it—tobacco is harmful.

"Texas Medical Association now challenges Walgreens and other large pharmacies in Texas to follow the healthy example of CVS. It's the right thing to do."

Degree program lifts off

On Feb. 5, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board announced the launch of the Texas Affordable Baccalaureate Degree Program the governor's office described as "a low-cost, competency-based bachelor's degree for college students."

Last week the degree program was started at South Texas College and Texas A&M University-Commerce, institutions that collaborated with the Board to develop the program.

"In 2011, Gov. Perry called on Texas higher education to develop low-cost alternatives for earning a college degree," Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Commissioner Raymund Paredes said. "The launch of this program answers that call and demonstrates to institutions around Texas and the nation that faculty-driven collaboration and the adoption of game-changing innovations in higher education delivery can create new, affordable pathways to degree attainment."

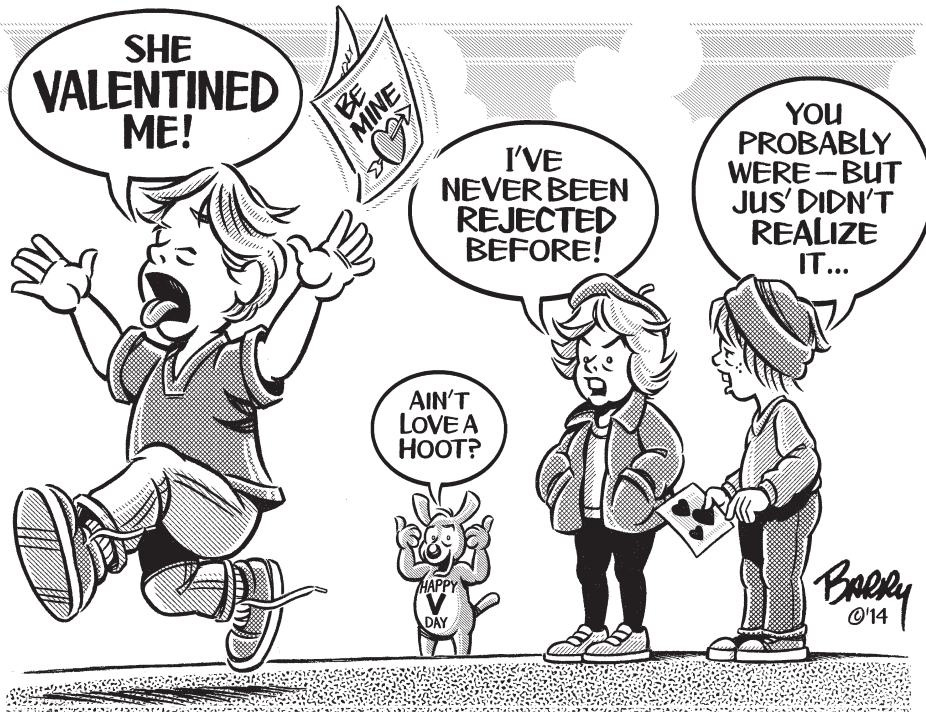
"Texas attracts world-class companies across a variety of industries, and today's evolving economy requires a skilled workforce prepared to meet the diverse needs of our employers," Perry said in a Feb. 5 statement.

Texas gets top ranking

For the year 2013, Texas was ranked as the top exporting state in the nation by the U.S. Census Bureau, making it the 12th consecutive year Texas has held this position, the governor's office announced.

Texas' export revenues for 2013 amounted to nearly \$280 billion, up more than 5 percent from the previous year and outpacing U.S. export growth.

"Texas continues to set a national example for economic success because of our commitment to the conservative fiscal principles that allow businesses to thrive," Gov. Perry said.



From Out of the Past

From the files of The Haskell Free Press

10 Years Ago February 12, 2004

The "Golden Girls," also known as Yvonne Swofford, Darlene Burson, Martha Jarred and Mary Kennedy, entertained at the Noah Project-North's annual Dinner Theatre.

In her recent book "Due West by Covered Wagon," former Rule resident Ives June Casey Powell, Ph.D., relates the historical events in the life of Bailey and Grace Denny Miller and the four Miller children, as they moved from Chico to Haskell and Stonewall Counties.

Governor Rick Perry announced that Haskell CISD will receive a preliminary grant of \$80,000 from the Texas High School Completion and Success grant. It is part of the new Texas High School Project designed to increase high school and college graduation rates statewide.

20 Years Ago February 17, 1994

Five Haskell men left on a humanitarian mission to Richmond, Missouri to repair the home of a family of five, which was severely damaged in last year's devastating flood. The local group, a part of the Volunteers in Missions of the Methodist Church, includes Tom Hairgrove, Kenny Watson, Ken Lane, Bob Baker and David Davis.

Sam Watson, Haskell city administrator announced that after months of maneuvers to keep the facility open, the Haskell

City Landfill will close as of April 8.

The Haskell Indians were crowned champions of District 7-2A, after defeating Anson 63-40. They move into the playoffs with a bi-district contest against Dublin. Mark Coffman is head coach for the Indian team.

30 Years Ago February 16, 1984

Capt. Lela Marie Holden, daughter-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. W.O. Holden of Haskell, has been selected as one of the Outstanding Young Women of America for 1983. Capt. Holden and her husband Thomas Holden are serving at Clark Air Base in the Philippines, where she is a nurse.

The Paint Creek Pirates defeated the Rochester Steers 78-36. Top scorers for the Pirates were Rob Mickler, 12 pts.; Jamie Braly, 17 pts.; Ronald Campbell, 20 pts.; and Keith Medford, 16 pts.

Joseph Arthur Williams, Jr. of Haskell, was awarded a law degree from the Texas Tech University School of Law in a recent ceremony.

40 Years Ago February 14, 1974

Haskell Chamber of Commerce officers for the upcoming year will be Bob Philpot, president; H.V. Woodard, first vice president; Kenneth Parker, second vice president; Charles Owens, treasurer; and Rex Felker, manager.

R.V. Earles of Paint Creek, Secretary of the Board of Directors of the

California Creek Soil and Water Conservation District, announced that Mrs. Leonard Kieke of Stamford and Fred Kupatt of Sagerton, have been selected Conservation Home Maker and Outstanding Conservation Farmer respectively.

The Weinert H.D. Club met in the home of Mrs. Floyd McGuire. Mrs. Charlie Campbell, president, called roll and Mrs. Toby Yates and Mrs. Gus Rueffer gave a program on Fashion in Foods. Mrs. McGuire and Mrs. Henry Smith were hostesses.

50 Years Ago February 13, 1964

Boy scouts receiving the Eagle Scout in a Court of Honor were Randy O'Neal, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Roy O'Neal; James Wall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Wall; and Riley Couch, son of Mr. and Mrs. R.C. Couch, Jr.

Winford Seelig, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Seelig of Mattson, was selected Airman of the Month in the 81st Supply Squadron, stationed at Bentwaters AFB, England. The 1961 Mattson High School graduate is an Airman Second Class.

100 Years Ago February 14, 1914

The junior editor accepted the invitation of Mayor Cahill to accompany him in his car to join a company of men in another jack rabbit drive. The last drive netted 370 rabbits.

Norman Hancock passed through on the northbound train Wednesday.

Interactive online decision aid for producers developed

by Jason Westbrook
CEA-Ag, Haskell Co.

Producers facing possible changes in their crop rotations due to water availability and other fluctuations in agriculture will soon have an online decision aid tool, according to DeDe Jones, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service risk management specialist in Amarillo.

The interactive risk management spreadsheet allows input from producers to assist with crop budgets, break-even prices and yields, and to help choose optimal crop mixes under limited irrigation, Jones said.

"In the face of declining water tables and falling commodity prices, we felt like there was a need to develop a tool that would allow producers to make educated decisions under risky conditions," she said. "This spreadsheet should help them to allocate their water in a way that will maximize profits."

The two-year project funded by the Texas

Corn Producers Board is being conducted by a team of AgriLife Extension economists and a Texas A&M AgriLife Research engineer. In addition, an advisory committee of area corn farmers is providing input into the development of the decision aid.

"This tool will allow the producer to create and evaluate current dryland and irrigated crop budgets and different crop/share leasing arrangements by showing the return on investment between all parties," Jones said. "Once the budgets are established, they can calculate breakeven prices and yields."

And while most of those capabilities are already available through other formats, she said this new tool has an added feature, a limited-input decision calculator.

"This allows producers to input their irrigated acres and water availability and any water district restrictions," Jones said. "The model will then simulate

what their most profitable cropping arrangement would be under the given irrigation parameters. Also, if they don't have enough water to fully irrigate, it will recommend the best dryland crop to plant in addition to the irrigated acreage.

"Because the spreadsheet is completely interactive, the baseline numbers we have in there can be changed to whatever values accurately reflect the producer's operation. He can put in his own crop yields, prices and input costs," she said. "The result will be a customized risk management output on cropping arrangements and what he needs to break even."

Jones said the decision aid has been developed, but it is in the field test stage now and hasn't been released for mass download.

However, those wanting to be a part of the testing phase should contact Jones at 806-677-5600 or DLJones@ag.tamu.edu. The mass distribution is expected by December.

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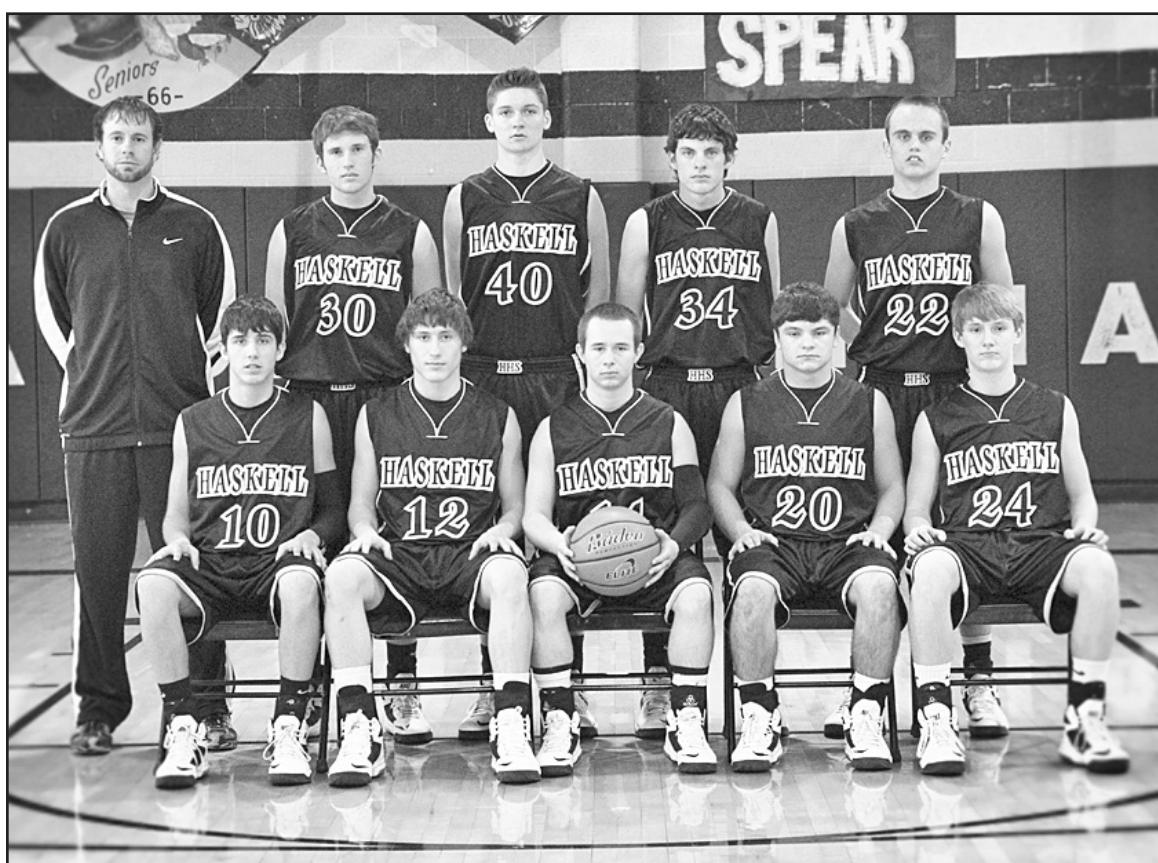
BASKETBALL '14

Indians

Haskell Indians

The Indians played Albany Tues., Feb. 11 to determine 2nd and 3rd place teams in district. The Bi-District playoff game will be held in Graham Tues., Feb. 18 against Windthorst or Archer City, depending on the outcome of the Tues., Feb. 11 game.

Go Indians!



HASKELL INDIANS—Front row, l-r, #10 Dakota Silvas, #12 Kelby Bell, #14 Matthew Martinez, #20 Brad Winterstein and #24 Dylan Hanson; Coach Tate Thompson, #30 Riley Meinzer, #40 Henry Smith, #34 Sean Weiser and #22 Cade Colley.

Maidens



HASKELL MAIDENS—Front row, l-r, #35 Ashlyn Bevel, #21 Destiny Pierce and #5 Jacie Klose; #45 MyKaylee Wilhite, #15 Reagan Hadaway, #53 Kenzie Shelton, #41 Katie Newberry and #23 Crissy Bassett. Not pictured is #55 Alye Stewart.

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Congratulations on a great season!

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Go Indians! Go Maidens!

Haskell Co. Gin Report

Feb. 10, 2014
Haskell
 Haskell Co. Gin....5,526 Final
 Haskell Co-op Gin..10,022 Final
O'Brien
 O'Brien Co-op....11,101 Final
Rule
 Rule Co-op Gin.....16,694
Weinert
 Griff's Gin.....1,561 Final
 Weinert Gin.....5,878 Final
 Total bales.....50,782

**Go Indians!
 Go Maidens!**

Haskell Co. Arrest Report

The following arrests were reported by the Haskell County Sheriff's Office during the week of Feb. 3-9:

Katherine Michelle Hunt, possession 1 to 4 grams meth 3rd degree felony, also possession of marijuana 2 oz. Class B misdemeanor and possession of dangerous drug Class A misdemeanor.

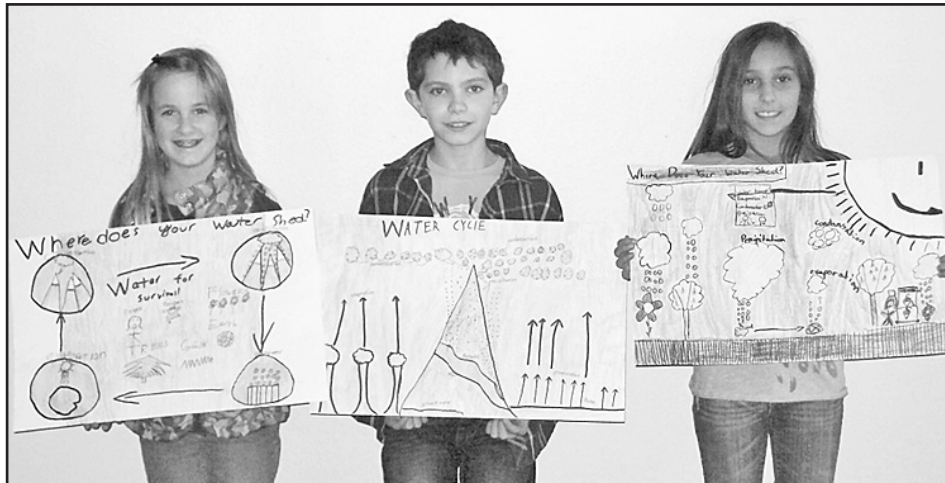
Steven Ray Johnson, possession 1 to 4 grams meth 3rd degree felony, also possession of marijuana Class B misdemeanor and dangerous drug Class A misdemeanor.

Twenty-nine calls were made to 911.

Shayla Clairese Hunt,



POSTER CONTEST WINNERS—Rule Elementary students participated in the 2014 Texas Conservation Awards Program Poster Contest. The students had to create a poster with the theme of "Where Does Your Water Shed." Class winners include, l-r, second grade, Shelby Saffel, first place; Astrid Guzman, second place; and Wayland Isbell, third place. These winners will advance in the District County Contest.



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Commissioners' Court report

The Haskell County Commissioners' Court met in their regular meeting place Thurs., Jan. 30 with all members present.

Commissioner Kenny Thompson reported that Leah Robertson of the Haskell County Appraisal District was spending \$10,000 a year on a software program. She has been able to cut the budget by purchasing another software program that costs \$1,500 per year. They are very satisfied with the new program.

Joey Kimbrough, Jacky Sanders, Jackie Wilcox, Terry Joe Mathis and Robert Tribbey will be board members for the Cetrz Grant.

2014 MAIDEN SOFTBALL SCHEDULE			
Date	Opponent	Location	Time
Tues., Feb. 18	OPEN		
Thurs.-Sat., Feb. 20-22	Burkburnett Tournament	TBA	
Tues., Feb. 25	Merkel	Haskell	4:30 p.m.
Thurs.-Feb., Feb. 27-Mar. 1	Wichita Falls Tournament	TBA	
Tues., March 4	*Hamlin	Hamlin	4:30 p.m.
Fri., March 7	*Eula	Haskell	4:30 p.m.
Thurs.-Sat., March 6-8	Snyder Tournment	Snyder	TBA
Tues., March 11	*Anson	Anson	5 p.m.
Tues., March 18	*Stamford	Haskell	5 p.m.
Fri., March 21	*Baird	Haskell	5 p.m.
Tues., March 25	*Albany	Haskell	5 p.m.
Fri., March 28	OPEN		
Thurs., April 3	*Hamlin	Haskell	5 p.m.
Fri., April 4	Eula	Eula	5 p.m.
Tues., April 8	*Anson	Haskell	5 p.m.
Fri., April 11	*Stamford	Stamford	5 p.m.
Sat., April 12	Colorado City	Haskell	1 p.m.
Tues., April 15	*Baird	Baird	5 p.m.
Fri., April 18	*Albany	Albany	5 p.m.

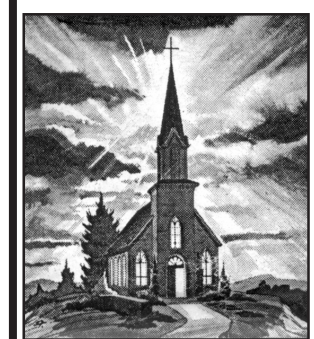
*District Game

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Grady Benton
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Haskell Memorial Hospital Outpatient Clinic Patients

Patients seeing **Dr. Vega** and **Dr. Varghese** will now be seen at the Hospital Clinic (Dr. McSmith's office) at 1400 South 1st. If you have questions concerning this change, please call the hospital at **940-864-2621**.

This Week's Devotional Message:



We're observing a special occasion on Friday, With our love the emotion we try to portray, On a beautiful card, where the verses combine With some cupids and hearts in a lacy design. Yet true love isn't simply delivered by mail; It's the service to others we do without fail, When we lend our assistance to someone in need, And we worship our Father, whose lessons we heed, To encourage the sick and give aid to the poor. So obey the instructions of faith, and be sure That your love is a thing you can never convey Just by sending a greeting on Valentine's Day.

ATTEND CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

- HASKELL—
- East Side Baptist Church**
Shawn Smith
Youth & Worship pastor
Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.
600 N. 1st East, Haskell
- Christian Church**
Sun. 10:45 a.m.
107 N. Ave. F, Haskell
- Church of God**
Bruce Ray, pastor
Sun. 10:30 a.m. Thurs. 7:00 p.m.
714 North First East, Haskell
- Trinity Lutheran Church**
Rev. David White, pastor
Sunday 9:30 a., Worship 10:30
Hwy 380 East, Haskell
- Iglesia Bautista El Calvario**
Art Flores, Interim pastor
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 5 p.; Wed. 7 p.
607 S. 7th, Haskell
- First United Methodist Church**
Rev. Dustin Wilhite, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:50 a., 6 p.; Wed. 6 p.
201 N. Ave. F, Haskell
- First Assembly of God**
Rev. J.C. Amburn
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.
1500 N. Ave. E, Haskell
- St. George Catholic Church**
Father George Roney
Sat. Mass 7 p.m.; Sun. 9:00 a.m.
901 N. 16th, Haskell
- Church of Christ**
Phillip Sims, minister
Sun. 9:30 a., 10:30 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.
510 N. Ave. E, Haskell
- First Presbyterian Church**
Kelly Pigott, interim pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:30 a.m.
306 N. Ave. E, Haskell
- Trinity Baptist Church**
Larry White, pastor
Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 6:30 p.
114 S. Ave. D, Haskell
- Hopewell Baptist Church**
Sun. 9:30 a., 11:00 a.; Wed. 7 p.
908 N. Ave. A, Haskell
- Greater Independent Baptist Church**
Rev. Earnest Flanders, Jr., pastor
Sun. 9:30 a., 11:00 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.
301 N. 3rd St., Haskell
940-863-4405
- New Covenant Foursquare**
Bill and Renee Glass, pastors
Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 6:30 p.; Wed. 7 p.
200 S. Ave. F, Haskell
- First Baptist Church**
Rev. Jim McCurley
Jason Daniels, minister of Youth and Music
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 10:55 a.m., 6 p.m.;
Wed. 6:30 p.m.
301 N. Ave. E, Haskell
- Cornerstone Fellowship Baptist Church**
Morris R. Johnson, pastor
Sun. 9:30 a., 10:45 a., 6 p., Wed. 7 p.
1600 N. First St., Haskell
- God Loves You Ministries**
Mark Wallace, pastor
Church Service 10 a.m.
West side of square, Haskell
—WEINERT—
- First Baptist Church**
Dan Bullock, pastor
Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 6 p., Wed. 7 p.
Weinert
- Weinert Foursquare Church**
Rev. Robert Harrison
Sunday 11 a.m
Weinert
- ROCHESTER—
- Church of Christ**
Mitchell Greer, minister
Sun. 10 a.m., 10:45 a.m.
West on Main Street, Rochester
- First Baptist Church**
Bishop Helsley, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.;
Prayer Time/Team Kids 5 p.m.;
Wed. Youth meeting 7 p.m.
500 Main, Rochester
- Union Chapel Baptist Church**
Clovie Dever
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:45 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.
Rochester
- Faith Chapel of Rochester**
Randy Hollingsworth, minister
Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., Wed. 6 p.m.
Hwy. 6, Rochester
—SAGERTON—
- Sagerton Methodist Church**
Cory Graham, pastor
Sun. Morn. 9:45 a.m.
Sagerton
- Faith Lutheran Church**
Anna Robbins, pastor
Sun. 10:30 a.m.
Sagerton
—RULE—
- First Baptist Church**
Scott Hensley, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 5 p.; Wed. 7 p.
1001 Union Ave., Rule
- Primitive Baptist Church**
Dale Turner Jr., pastor
First & Third Sundays 10 a.m.
Corner of 8th & Robins, Rule
- Church of Christ**
John Greeson, minister
Sun. 9:45 a., 10:40 a., 6 p.; Wed. 7 p.
811 Union, Rule
- Primera Iglesia Bautista**
Alfa y Omegs
Manuel Marin, pastor
Sun. 10 a., 11:00 a., 5 p.; Wed. 6 p.
500 Elm Street, Rule
- Sweet Home Baptist Church**
Russell Stanley, pastor
Sunday 10 a.m.
Gladstone Ave., Rule
940-997-2296
- West Bethal Baptist Church**
Rev. Clovis Dever
Sun. 10 a., 11 a., 8 p.; Wed. 7:30 p.
300 Sunny Ave., Rule
—PAINT CREEK—
- Paint Creek Baptist Church**
Sun. 10:00 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.
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- O'BRIEN—
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Jim Reid, pastor
Sun. 9:45 a., 11 a., 5 p., 6 p., Wed. 6 p.
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Help Wanted

and qualifications. Applications may be picked up at Rule City Hall, 701 Union Ave, Rule, Texas. To have an application mailed to you, or for more information, please call 940-996-2127 or 940-996-2214 during regular business hours, Mon.-Fri. 7:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. 3tfc

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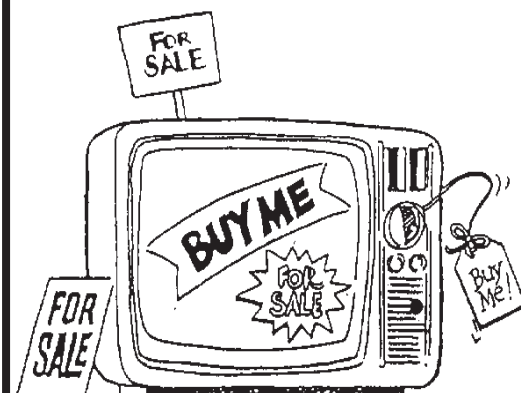
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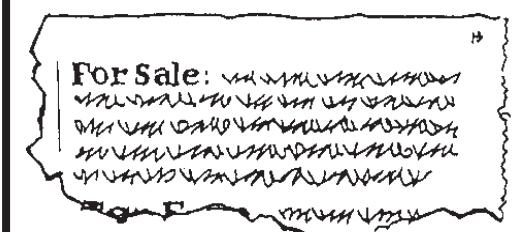
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Maidens basketball

Maidens fall to Lady Lions

The Albany Lady Lions (18-6, 7-3) defeated the Haskell Maidens 43-36 last Tuesday night, eliminating the Maidens playoff contention on the final night of the regular season. Haskell finished the season with an 18-9 overall record and 5-5 to finish fourth in District 9-1A.

The Maiden offense was led by Reagan Hadaway's 18 points and Jacie Klose's 12 points. Klose also had a team high 3 assists followed by Hadaway with 2 and Crissy Bassett 1. Haskell shot (13-46) from the field for 28% and (8-21) from the free-throw line for 40%. "Offensively, I thought our shot selection was good and we did a nice job of getting to the free-throw line. Unfortunately, we just did not shoot the ball well enough to beat a pretty good team on the road," Haskell head coach Blake Eddleman said.

The Lady Lions were led by Kami Norton who finished with 11 points. Albany shot (14-34) from the field for 41% and (14-23) from the free-throw line for 61%. "Defensively, I thought Kenzie Shelton and the rest of the team did a very good job against Norton. Our goal was to hold her below 12 points and we were able to do that. Unfortunately, the rest of their team did a good job adding to their overall point total," Eddleman said.

Hadaway led all rebounders with 9 rebounds followed by Klose with 4 and Shelton 3. Hadaway also had a team high 1 steal.

"Overall, I did not think we played our best against Albany and it was really tough to see our season come to an end. We had a solid year that produced almost a 20 win season. Unfortunately, we lost too many really close games next year or just simply avoid them by playing great from start to finish," Eddleman said.

"Even though our season did not produce a better outcome, I am extremely proud of the girls this year. They worked hard, prepared hard, and sacrificed a lot throughout the off-season and regular season. We have everyone returning next year and I think we have the potential to do great things moving forward. We just need to continue to get better and learn from this year's experiences," Eddleman added.

Haskell 11 8 8 9 = 36
Albany 8 14 12 9 = 43

Scoring: Hadaway 18, Klose 12, Shelton 6

JV Maidens lost to Albany JV 26-23

Maiden Basketball Season Summary

The 2013-2014 basketball season has officially come to an end for the junior high and high school Maidens. The Maidens experienced a lot of overall success throughout the season.

Coach Rick Gammon and the junior high B team finished the season with a solid 6-1 record. Coach

Gammon and the seventh grade team claimed the District Championship, won the District Tournament, won the Throckmorton tournament, and finished the season undefeated with an impressive 16-0 overall record. Coach John Foster and the eighth grade team also won the Throckmorton tournament, got second place in the District Tournament, and finished the season at 9-5 overall.

Coach Missy Burson and the JV team won the Knox City tournament and finished 17-4 overall and 7-3 in district play. Coach Eddleman and the varsity team won the Jayton tournament and finished 18-9 overall and 5-5 in district play. Overall, the Maiden basketball program had a combined record of 66 wins and 19 losses.

"I am extremely proud of all the junior high and high school basketball girls this year. I would like to thank all of our players, managers and coaches for their hard work and dedication throughout the season. I would also like to thank the parents for all the support they showed throughout the season," Head Coach Blake Eddleman said.

"We were able to accomplish a lot this year and all the kids improved throughout the season. I think our basketball program has a very bright future for many years to come. I would also like to recognize and thank all the fans that came out and supported us this year," Eddleman added.

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Area Basketball scores

Girls

Albany 43, Haskell 36

Scoring for Haskell: Hadaway 18, Klose 12, Shelton 6.

JV Albany defeated Haskell

Boys

Albany 42,

Haskell 38 (OT)

Scoring for Haskell: Silvas 14, Martinez 5, Hanson 4,

Meinzer 4, Weiser 4, Bell 3,

Colley 2, Smith 2.

JV: Haskell 23, Albany 20

Early voting for Texas Primary begins Feb. 18

Although there are no contested county races in the upcoming Texas Primary, there are many on the state and federal level.

Voters are reminded that early voting begins Tuesday, Feb. 18 and will run through Friday, Feb. 28. The last day to apply for a ballot by mail is Friday, Feb. 21 and the last day to receive a ballot

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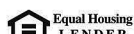
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